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In re Applications of)	MM DOCKET NO. 93-53
KR PARTNERS)	File No. BPH-911001MB
KES COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	File No. BPH 911003MH
LORI LYNN FORBES	File No. BPH-911004MH
For a Construction Permit for a) New FM Station on Channel 256C) at Waimea, Hawaii)	

To: Administrative Law Judge Joseph P. Gonzalez

MASS MEDIA BUREAU'S COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO ENLARGE ISSUES

- 1. On April 15, 1993, KR Partners ("KR") filed a "Motion to Enlarge Issues Against Lori Lynn Forbes" ("Motion"). The Mass Media Bureau supports the addition of the requested issues for the following reasons.
- 2. KR seeks the addition of city grade coverage and related issues against Lori Lynn Forbes ("Forbes"). In support, KR alleges that a severe terrain obstruction in the nature of a tall mountain ridge, previously undisclosed by Forbes, exists

Commission's Rules requires each station to place a signal with a $\underline{\text{minimum}}$ field strength of 70 dBu (3.16 mV/m) over the proposed community of license.

- 3. The Bureau notes that KR did not submit the 7 1/2 minute topographic map that it used to prepare the terrain profile along the 37° radial between Forbes' transmitter site and the community of Waimea. Nevertheless, the Bureau has independently examined the 7 1/2 minute topographic map contained in Forbes' application. That examination indeed reveals the existence of a tall ridge which is approximately 26 meters higher than the center of radiation of Forbes' antenna and is directly between Forbes' tower and the community of Waimea.
- 4. KR does not provide a sample of its calculations of Forbes' field strength over the community of license, as required by § 73.313(e) of the Commission's Rules. Therefore, the Bureau is unable to confirm KR's predictions. However, based on the height of the ridge and its position relative to Forbes' transmitting antenna and the community of Waimea, the Bureau submits that KR has indeed raised a substantial and material question requiring further exploration at hearing as to whether Forbes' proposed station complies with § 73.315 of the Commission's Rules. See also 1.229 of the Commission's Rules.

5. Accordingly, the Bureau supports the addition of citygrade coverage and related issues against Forbes.

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